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SUBJECT: BELGRADE CSCE MEETING: JUNE 23

DEPARTMENT FOR EUR/RPM

FROM USDEL CSCE

REF: BELGRADE 4206

SUMMARY: ON JUNE 23 ROMANIANS ALIGNED THEMSELVES WITH NEUTRAL/
NON-ALIGNED (NNA) DRAFT AGENDA, THOUGH PROPOSING SEVERAL NOT
VERY SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES. IN WHAT WAS PRESUMABLY TACTICAL
STEP BACKWARDS FROM THEIR SLIGHTLY MORE POSITIVE REACTION TO
NNA DRAFT OF PREVIOUS DAY, POLES PROPOSED RETURNING
TO SOVIET LANGUAGE ON KEY FIRST ITEM WHICH WOULD COMBINE
REVIEW OF IMPLEMENTATION AND NEW PROPOSALS. SOVIETS WARNED
AGAINST "FRIVOLOUS" ATTEMPTS TO REWRITE FINAL ACT.
END SUMMARY.

1. IN JUNE 23 MORNING MEETING, ROMANIANS SUBMITTED AMENDMENTS
TO NNA PROPOSALS (REFTEL), AS FOLLOWS: ADD TO POINT ONE
"THE EXAMINATION OF PROPOSALS CONCERNING THE ABOVE
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QUESTIONS." ADD TO POINT TWO, AFTER WORDS "SIMILAR TO
THE PRESENT ONE," MEETINGS OF EXPERTS OF THE PARTICI-
PATING STATES." REFORMULATE POINT THREE "ADOPTION OF THE
DOCUMENT OF THE MEETING, WHICH WILL INCLUDE CONCLUSIONS
AND DECISIONS ON FURTHER EFFORTS, RELATING TO POINTS
ONE AND TWO ABOVE, INCLUDING THE DECISIONS CONCERNING

DATE AND PLACE OF THE NEXT MEETING SIMILAR TO THE PRESENT ONE, AS WELL AS OF THE MEETINGS OF EXPERTS, WITH-IN THE FOLLOWUP TO THE CONFERENCE."

2. DURING AFTERNOON SESSION, POLISH REP PROPOSED FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS TO NNA DRAFT: POINT ONE TO FOLLOW WORDING OF PARA TWO (A) OF FOLLOWUP SECTION OF FINAL ACT (AS SOVIETS HAD ORIGINALLY PROPOSED), FOLLOWED BY LAST SENTENCE OF ROMANIAN AMENDMENT TO POINT ONE. IN POINT TWO, REPLACE "INCLUDING" WITH "WHICH COULD INCLUDE" (TO ACCORD WITH LANGUAGE OF FINAL ACT). REFORMULATE POINT THREE AS "ADOPTION OF A DOCUMENT."

3. SOVIET REP (VORONTSOV) INTERVENED IN DISCUSSION TO STRESS IMPORTANCE OF PRINCIPLE OF FOLLOWING WORDING OF THE FINAL ACT, AND WARNED THAT A "FRIVOLOUS" APPROACH TO FINAL ACT WOULD LEAD TO UNPLEASANTNESS. VORONTSOV CITED US/UK PROPOSAL AS INITIAL STEP IN PROCESS OF MOVING AWAY FROM LANGUAGE OF FINAL ACT, AND SAW TREND CONTINUING IN NNA PROPOSAL. FRG AND SWISS REPS RESPONDED BY DECLARING THAT ALL DELS WERE MAKING SERIOUS EFFORT TO PRODUCE AGENDA, AND POINTED OUT THAT NONE OF THREE PROPOSALS, INCLUDING USSR'S LITERALLY REPRODUCES WORDING OF FINAL ACT.
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